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Special from a Staff Correspondent. Lebanon, Pa., Oct. 6.—Amid the brilliant celebrations in the city incident to the home which was the Electric City, the opinion of a leading fireman of the State association, as to how the convention was captured by us, is important. The New Castle



CHARLES H. COHN, OF ALLTOWN, PRESIDENT OF THE STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

and Danville workers and delegates who were exceedingly confident of victory, are much at sea as to how to solve the problem.

A. L. Redenbach, of Allentown, secretary of the Lehigh Valley Writers' club, manager of the Cohn campaign for the presidency of the association, and one who stands high in the inner circles of fire matters of the state, in conversation with me at the Eagle hotel this morning, said:

"To your brainy chief of the fire department, P. J. Hickey, must be accredited the major portion of the honor, and commendation given the energetic men representing your city, here during the week, and who put up such a gallant fight, resulting in an overwhelming victory."

Last night Chief Hickey was signally honored, he being proposed for membership in the famous "Goose Neck" club, which is composed of men who are the social and business leaders of the state association. There are organizations decidedly easier to become a member of than the "Goose Neck." The membership is limited to thirty. When the death of a member occurs the proposal of a patient one who has perhaps been waiting for years to have his name considered, is taken up. Chief Hickey is the first fireman in Scranton or vicinity, who has been proposed for membership in the "Goose Neck."

GAVE A DINNER. Charles Cohn, the new president of the association, gave a dinner at his quarters, the Eagle, this afternoon at the close of the parade. The event was in honor of the victories won by Scranton in securing the next convention, and Allentown in having her favorite son chosen for the responsible position which he will fill. The host was surrounded by delegations from Philadelphia, Reading, Scranton and Allentown.

Chief Baxter, of Philadelphia, presided. President Cohn sat on his right and Chief Hickey occupied the position at his left. Prominent among the guests were Reading President Spear, ex-President Irvin Hahn, of Lock Haven, ex-Chief Bigler, of Allentown; John A. Smith, district chief of Philadelphia; E. E. Robathan, and Detective John Moir, of Scranton.

The enthusiasm which marked the announcement of Scranton's victory, and was kept aglow all afternoon and night, was not abated to the least degree. During the parade this afternoon ovations assumed greater proportions and as the Century hose company, which is the leading division of the first division, marched along the applause was without any evidence of subsiding. At a meeting this morning the company decided to compete for first prize awarded to the best appearing and best drilled company.

The work of Captain O'Hara's command today was ahead of that done at home Friday last. It was more finished and had true military spirit.

The parade of the local department and thousands of visiting companies was started at 2:30 o'clock and division right resting on Cumberland avenue. The day was beautiful, it being the only day of the present week without rain. The air is cool and refreshing, making marching pleasant.

It is estimated that the number of men in line exceeds three thousand. The Century company and Bauer's band made great hits along the line of march.

THE PRIZE WINNERS. The following prize winners were announced tonight:

Prize \$50, largest uniformed company, won by Columbia Fire company, of Columbia, Pa.

Prize \$50, best uniformed company, Washington Hose company, of Danville, Pa.

Prize \$50, finest hook and ladder truck, Washington Hook and Ladder company, of Mahanoy City.

Prize \$50, best steam engine, won by Philadelphia, of Pottsville.

Prize \$50, best horse carriage, Media Hose company, of Chester.

Of the hundreds who were delighted with the honor afforded Scranton, none were more jubilant than P. M. Egan, now of Lebanon, formerly of Scranton. Mr. Egan is the efficient superintendent of the bit plant here of the Lack-

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HAD A NARROW ESCAPE.

Scranton's Delegates to the Firemen's Convention Meet with a Thrilling Experience.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Allentown, Oct. 6.—Scranton's delegation to the Lebanon convention narrowly escaped witnessing a repetition of the Terrible Mud Run disaster as a finale to its two days merry making.

At the special invitation of President Cohn, of the state association, and the Good Will hose company, of Allentown, the Scrantonians decided to spend the night in their city. One party of the joint victors, composed mostly of Scranton people, left Lebanon at 6:30 o'clock. About a mile above Avon, the station east of Lebanon, the last car of their train became detached from the others. On the front platform of the car was Detective Moir and several other who shouted madly. Will P. Boland, who was on the rear platform of the car ahead of them, grasped the situation in a minute and pulled the bell rope. When the train was stopped it required a hard effort to locate either the conductor or a brakeman. Finally the conductor was found and orders were given to return for the car.

Just as the car was coupled and the train resumed its journey another accident of the train dashed around the curve at the rate of fifty miles an hour. The engineer of the first section saw it and pulled out at full speed. A cry went through the forward section that a terrible crash was inevitable, and when the gleaming light of the coming engine was distinctly seen a wild stampede followed, every one rushing for the doors. Wade Finn, Register of Wills Koch and P. J. Ruane being injured, though not seriously.

The second section was brought to a standstill within ten feet of the rear car of the first. At Reading both sections were united and proceeded to Allentown, arriving there at midnight.

On the second section was Division Passenger Agent J. S. Swisher, of the central road. When told by your correspondent of the narrow escape he was vehement in his denunciation of the service that the Philadelphia and Reading had accorded during the convention. H. A. Luther said: "This matter will be thoroughly investigated and I want you men who saw the affair to give me a full report of it. During my 28 years of railroading I never saw or heard of such rotten mismanagement. I will demand a complete investigation of this affair and will wire our New York office tomorrow."

A committee composed of Wade Finn, E. E. Robathan, W. P. Boland and your correspondent will file with Mr. Swisher a full report of what occurred.

When we reached Allentown the whole city was ablaze with enthusiasm and the joint celebration in honor of Mr. Cohn and the city of Scranton will be memorable in the history of the city. Awaiting the arrival of President Cohn and the Allentown and Scranton contingents were the members of the police force, entire fire department, Mayor Lewis and hundreds of citizens who had been waiting since 7:30, the hour appointed for the train to reach that city.

The procession moved up Hamilton street to the Good Will's spacious quarters, where a reception and dance was given. Mayor Lewis presided. Mr. Robathan responded for Scranton. Messrs. Hickey, Finn and Ruane made addresses congratulating Allentown on the great honor done her in the selection of her townsman for the position of state president. The party will leave here tomorrow at 8:30, reaching Scranton about noon. John J. Gordon.

THOUSAND LIVES LOST.

A Square Mile of the City of Hankow Burned. London, Oct. 7.—According to a special dispatch from Shanghai, a fire on Sunday at Hankow destroyed over a square mile of the city, including the government building and temple. It is feared that a thousand lives were lost.

Hankow is a treaty port on the Yangtze River, at the mouth of one of its tributaries, seven hundred miles from the sea. The city forms, with Han Yang and Woo Chang, the capital of Hoo Po, all in sight of each other, and separated only by the river, one of the greatest commercial centres in the world. Their united population is estimated at eight million, but they suffered much in the Taio Ping wars. Hankow is one terminus of the proposed Peking Hankow railway.

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ARMED MINERS PATROL A TOWN

Viridn, Ill., Presents a Martial Appearance—2,500 Men in Line March About Railway Tracks.

Viridn, Ill., Oct. 6.—This town presents a martial aspect. Fully 2,500 armed miners being organized into squads which patrol the railway tracks and highways.

Mayor Noll has issued orders closing all saloons while the present trouble lasts.

The strikers are not molesting the company's plant. Manager Lukens, fearing an attempt to destroy the stockpile would be made, called on Sheriff Davenport for deputies.

The leading merchants offered to go on the bonds of a number of Viridn miners who own their own homes. If they were sworn in as deputies by the sheriff, guaranteeing the company's property would not be molested as long as the negroes were not in sight. The offer was refused by Lukens who reaffirmed his purpose of bringing in Alabama negroes and insisted that the sheriff be in readiness to invoke state aid if the miners do his duty and will only call on Governor Tanner as a last resort.

The operators of the Chicago and Alton district are bitter in their declarations that they are victims of the intrigues of sea operators in the district who they aver are aiding the strikers in keeping the plants idle. They claim that there is a combine to keep the product of their mines out of the market.

ELI SHAW'S TRIAL.

Maybell Neilson, the Betrothed of the Prisoner, Testifies. Camden, N. J., Oct. 6.—Maybell Neilson, the betrothed of Eli Shaw, gave testimony today in the trial of the latter for the murder of his mother, which testimony is considered of great importance for the defense, inasmuch as it removed in a measure the contention of the prosecution that the motive for the commission of the crime by Eli was his desire to possess himself of the means of his mother and grandmother, so that he could buy and furnish a home to begin housekeeping.

Miss Neilson testified that she had \$5,000 in mortgages in her own right, and also some ready cash, and that it was clearly understood between Eli and herself that she was to pay for the house which they had selected for their home and was also to purchase the furniture. She said they were to have been married in October last, but that the event was prevented by Eli's arrest.

Mrs. Neilson the young lady's mother, corroborated Maybell's statement relative to the ownership of the mortgages and added that Maybell had about \$400 in cash. Mrs. Neilson said she had been consulted by the young couple regarding the purchase of the house and it was fully understood that Maybell was to buy and furnish the home. Eli had told them plainly that he had no means.

Will Investigate Porto Rico.

Washington, Oct. 6.—Captain C. S. Shoemaker, of the revenue cutter service, has been instructed by the secretary of the treasury to proceed to Cuba and Porto Rico and make a thorough investigation into existing conditions with a view to the establishment of an efficient revenue cutter patrol of the waters of those islands.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather indications Today: Fair; Variable Winds.

1 General—Spaniards Must Evacuate Cuba. Indian Situation Very Grave. Firemen's Parade at Lebanon. Restoration of the Chinese Regency.

2 General—State Endeavor Convention at Harrisburg. Financial and Commercial. Local—Councils and the Providence Paving Contract. Yale Missionary Band Ends Its Labors Here.

3 Editorial—Comment of the Press. Local—Steps Taken to Stop Costs in Fictitious Cases. Soldiers' Relief Association to Wind Up Its Affairs. Dance Hall Crusade Launched. Excursion to Camp Meade.

4 Local—West Scranton and Suburban. News Round About Scranton. Story—"An Uncommon Deed."

5 General—News of the Day at Camp Meade. THE NEWS THIS MORNING

SMALL POX AMONG TROOPS AT MANILA

Fourteen Cases and Six Deaths Among American Troops Within Four Days. Manila, Oct. 6.—There have been fourteen cases of small-pox and six deaths from that disease among the American troops during the past two days. The dead are H. M. Powers, First California regiment; Harry Wheeler, Second Oregon; Henry Curry, Fourteenth Infantry; Joseph Daly, George Coote and Frank Warwick, of the Thirteenth Minnesota regiment.

Eight deaths from typhoid fever have also been recorded. An Artilleryman Roach was killed by a sentry at Tondo, on Wednesday night.

KENTUCKY FUTURITY.

The \$10,000 Stake Won by Peter the Great. Lexington, Ky., Oct. 6.—After two postponements on account of rain, the fall meeting of the Kentucky trotting horse breeders' meeting began today with six races on the programme. The event of the day, the \$10,000 futurity for three-year-old trotters, was quite a surprise for the talent, being won in straight heats by Peter the Great, a Michigan colt, who sold for \$15 in pools of \$100. The favorite, Charley Herr, made a game fight for every heat, but was outfooted. Peter the Great won each heat with some to spare. A peculiarity of the race was that the second, third and fourth moneys were divided between Charley Herr, Limerick and Seraphina.

The stake was worth \$7,500 to the winner with \$200 to be nominator, D. D. Streator, Kalamazoo, Mich., who still owns him.

The \$5,000 futurity for two-year-old trotters was won by The Merchant, Handspring and Borama dividing second and third moneys. The Merchant, who won the best yearling out last year, was a strong favorite and did not disappoint his backers, winning with ease.

Marcus Daly's Handspring made a gallant effort to head him, but it was without avail.

Summaries: First race, the Tennessee, \$4,000, for 2:30 class pacers—Searchlight, br. s., by Dark Night, dam Nora Mares (McHenry), won in three straight heats. Time, 2:09.5, 2:14.4, 2:18. Second race, the futurity for 2-year-old trotters, value \$10,000. Peter the Great, b. c., by Pilot Medicine with some to spare. 1 1 1 Charley Herr, b. c. (M. Bowerman) 2 2 4 Limerick, ch. (Hess), 3 3 4 Seraphina, blk. f. (Hudson) 2 2 4 Janie T. b. f. (Fuller) 5 5 8 Leslie May, m. f. (McKay) dis. Time, 2:18. 2:18. 2:17.5. Third race, 2:15 class, trotting; purse, \$1,000. Guy, ch. s., by Robert Rysdyk (Garvey) 7 1 1 Sister Alice, b. m., by Baton Wilkes 6 5 2 2 Cutting, b. s., by Aristides (Medley) 1 3 3 3 Time, 2:18. 2:18. 2:17.5. Fourth race, the futurity for 2-year-old trotters, \$5,000. The Merchant, ch. c., by The Conqueror, dam Brightlight (McOoy), won in two straight heats. Handspring, b. c. 2 4 Borama, ch. (Hess), 3 3 4 Risky H. blk. f. 3 3 3 Kar, b. f. 5 4 Mary Celeste, blk. f. 106. Time, 2:20. 2:19.5. Fifth race, the Wilson, purse, \$2,000 for 2:30 class pacing. Lady-Off-the-Mat, ch. m., by Hambletonian (Geers), 1 1 1 1 Miss Logan, b. m. 2 1 1 1 Time, 2:08.5, 2:11. 2:09.5. Sixth race, purse \$2,000, for 2:08 class trotting (unfurnished). William Penn, br. s., by Santa Claus (Ludwig) 2 2 2 Rima, b. m., by King Wilkes (Foster), 3 1 1 Time, 2:13. 2:13.

DROWNED IN THE HUDSON.

A Fatal Accident to Yachting Party. Bodies Have Not Been Recovered. Troy, N. Y., Oct. 6.—N. L. Weatherly, commodore of the Troy Yacht club, and three companions, Stephen J. Malloy, Mrs. William Preslin and Miss Elizabeth Savage, were drowned by the capsizing of a yacht in the Hudson river, three miles north of this city last night.

The bodies have not been recovered. The accident was due to the swift current in the river, occasioned by the prevailing freshet, which threw the yacht against a wire strung near Riverdale camp, which place the party left at 9 o'clock last evening to return to this city.

Instruction at Annapolis.

Washington Oct. 6.—Secretary Long has decided to make no change in the post-graduate course of instruction in naval architecture established last year at the naval academy, and Naval Constructor H. H. Linnard, now on duty at Cramps shipyard, Philadelphia, has been ordered to Annapolis to take charge of the class during the present term.

CUBA MUST BE EVACUATED

An End to Be Put to Spain's Dilatory Tactics.

NO FURTHER DELAYS

Peremptory Instructions Sent to Our Commission from Washington. Embarrassment That Would Follow a Postponement Until Spring. New and Specious Reasons Alleged for Delay.

Washington, Oct. 6.—Further delay in the evacuation of Cuba will not be tolerated by the administration. Peremptory instructions have been sent to the American military commission at Havana to bring the negotiations to a close at an early date and to provide for the retirement of the Spanish forces and the coming of the American garrisons to Cuba.

The administration has become convinced that the Spaniards are pursuing a determined policy of delay. They would like to have the evacuation postponed until next spring if that were possible. The interim would be full of embarrassment for the Americans and advantageous to the Spaniards.

It is the desire of the administration to begin the occupation of Cuba within the next three weeks. By an order issued by the war department yesterday, Havana was designated as a depot of subsistence supplies, the depot at Tampa, Fla., being abolished. This is the first step in the direction of early occupation of the island.

It has been reported to the administration that the Spaniards are disposing of concessions to citizens of foreign governments. This may lead to serious embarrassments when the time comes to wind up affairs in the island and turn Cuba over to an insurgent government.

Havana, Oct. 6.—(Delayed in transmission.)—The American military commission will entertain the Spanish military commission at lunch next Sunday at the Trocha hotel, Vedado.

The Spanish commissioners yesterday officially notified the American commissioners that, owing to a hurricane, the vessels which were sent to Manzanillo have been unable to reach there at the appointed time, which will delay the evacuation of that place by the Spanish troops.

The United States transport Roonlute, which took a special commission to Puerto Principe, is expected to return here today from Neuvas, but at sundown she had not arrived.

No date has been fixed for the next meeting of the joint commission. General Mayor Rodriguez, commanding the Cuban troops in the western department of the island, gave a luncheon today to the delegates appointed to attend the convention of Oct. 10. After luncheon the delegates came to Havana, where they will leave this province tomorrow morning via Havana.

Various law points were discussed yesterday by the joint commission, which decided to leave them to the decision of the Paris tribunal. The Spanish commissioners suggested that the Spanish commissaries suggested that the ordinance be appraised and sold, declaring that it was to the interest of both countries to save the exorbitant freight and other charges of remounting new guns.

The Spanish steamer Maria Christina, which sails from here on Oct. 10